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## Coffee County wreck claims juvenile's life

A two-vehicle crash Friday, May 7, at approximately 3:25 p.m., claimed the life of a Covington County juvenile.

The crash occurred when a 2006 Ford F150, traveling north on Alabama Highway 189 and negotiating a curve, crossed into the southbound lane. As a result, the F150 collided with a 2017 Toyota Sienna.

The crash occurred approximately nine miles south of the Elba city limits, near the intersection of Coffee County Road 437.

During the Coffee County

Commission meeting Monday, May 10, Sheriff Dave Sutton said this tragic accident presented eight injured persons with the one death. He said multiple first responder agencies from Coffee and Covington counties were on scene.

The deceased juvenile was later was identified, by her family in an obituary, to be Cassidy Brooke Smith, age 9, of Opp, Ala. She was a student at Kinston School.

The accident was investigated by Alabama State Troopers. No further details were released by Troopers.

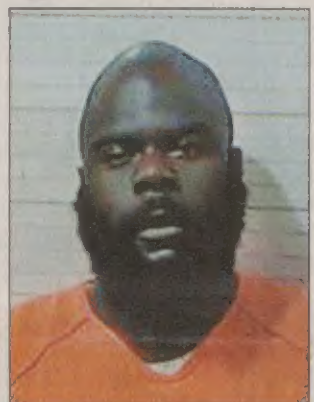
One charged with attempted murder

## New Brockton Police investigating incident

New Brockton Police made an arrest Sunday night, May 9, following an incident that resulted in the suspect being charged with attempted murder.

New Brockton Police Chief Dale Grimes said Terrence Turner, age 25, of New Brockton was arrested and placed in the Coffee County Jail on an attempted murder charge. He was released from the jail Monday afternoon, May 10, on a \$35,000 bond.

Chief Grimes said no further details are available at this time regarding the incident that led to Turner's



arrest as the matter remains under investigation, and additional information could develop as a result of the ongoing investigation.

## Coffee County Commission votes to expend \$4.5 million to build new cell at county landfill

During their meeting Monday, May 10, Coffee County Commissioners voted to expend over \$4.5 million to build a new cell at the Coffee County Landfill.

Environmental services director Mike Thornton said the time had arrived for the county to build "Cell 8" at the landfill. He said this was a budgeted item for Fiscal Year 2021.

During the bid process, Thornton said the county received three responses for the project. On Monday, he said his recommendation would be to award the base bid plus the additive alternative bid for this construction project.

W.S. Newell offered a bid in the amount of \$5,210,161.09 while Atlantis Commercial Group's bid was

\$4,596,127.20. The recommendation, however, was to award to the low bidder - T & K Construction LLC, which submitted a bid of \$4,556,720.08.

Commissioners went along with Thornton's recommendation, and awarded the project bid to T & K Construction LLC of Vinemont, Ala.

Commissioner Jim Thompson asked when the construction might get underway, and Thornton said it could be as early as mid-June. He said the contractor has a set time for completing the project, and the 'start date' is up to that company once they receive the order to proceed.

Coffee County E911 chairman Dean Blair issued a reminder to all citizens during Monday's commis-

## STATE CHAMPS!



### Elba High Golf Team claims state's Class 1A/2A championship

The Elba High School Golf Team [Class 2A], coached by Mark Wicker, earned the Alabama High School Athletic Association's 2021 Class 1A/2A Boys State Championship in Golf earlier this week.

The state championships were held on the Robert Trent Jones course at Magnolia Grove in Mobile, Ala. It was to be a two-day event; however, inclement weather on day two forced

AHSAA to call the event with the "Day One" scores accounting for the championship totals.

The Elba High School Golf team had one of its best overall rounds for the year on Monday, May 10, to capture the state championship title. The overall

team score for Elba was 313, which was helped in large part by senior John Martin Wilson's two-under-par round of 70.

Wilson received the low medalist award for the event. Taking the runner up spot for Class 1A/2A boys golf was Brantley High School

with a total team score of 320. Tucker Kilcrease shot a 76 on Monday to help lead the Brantley Bulldogs.

The Elba High Golf team members include John Martin Wilson, Collin Harrison, Paxton Wise, Carson Wise, and Peyton McCart.

## Coffee County BOE members vote to hire new assistant principal for Kinston School

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kevin Killingsworth, the Coffee County Board of Education voted Tuesday night, May 4, to hire a new assistant principal for Kinston School, effective for the 2021-2022 school year.

Brendan Dow will be filling the assistant principal shoes. This hire comes on the heels of current assistant principal Megan Driggers being hired as the principal next school year. She will replace retiring principal Danny Branch in that position.

According to a Facebook post of the Kinston School page, Dow has "spent the last 10 years teaching and coaching across the state of Alabama making stops at Homewood High School, Ardmore High School, and Dauphin Junior High School."

He asked citizens to keep all first responders in their constant prayers. Sheriff Dave Sutton

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Brendan Dow

His current employment is at Dauphin Junior High School in Enterprise, Ala., where he serves as a physical education teacher and head football coach. He is a 2006 graduate of Enterprise High School.

An additional teacher hire made by the school board during the May 4th meeting was that of Robert Speed to be a teacher at New Brockton High School during the 2021-2022 school year.

Also, the school board voted to accept the retirement of Sally Danford, effective June 1, from her position with the school system as a bus driver for New Brockton Schools.

Also, during the meeting, the board voted to approve a revised diploma options for students, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. The school system offers

three diploma options - general diploma, advanced diploma, and honors advanced diploma.

Gray Harrison, secondary curriculum supervisor and special programs coordinator for Coffee County Schools, said the revision to the diploma options plan would now allow students to choose their course of study in the Spring of their 8th grade year rather than the Spring of the 10th grade year [which is the current process]. He said this would better prepare students for their post-graduation careers as it would help them to truly have a 4-year plan in place for their high school studies.

Harrison said new math requirements and additional things required by the state to graduate also prompted the need for the revisions. Some of the state required changes to graduate include each student must complete the FAFSA application prior to graduating and must pass a civics test, along with the sequence of math changing from 7th-12th grades.

Also, he said more dual enrollment opportunities for students make this revision a better option for students as well.

Harrison said the only dif-

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The Elba Ministerial Association hosted a National Day of Prayer event Thursday, May 6, at noon in the parking lot of Elba City Hall. Approximately 30 people attended the prayer event as local pastors and ministry leaders prayed for the nation, federal government, first responders, churches, the state, military, schools, county, city, and more. The overall theme for this year's prayer day was to 'love one another' taken from John 13:34 - "Love one another just as I have loved you." Above, Pastor Dwight Johnson of Elba First Assembly of God prays for the federal government as those gathered bow their heads and join him in prayer.

## Area Happenings

**THE MAY 2021 MEETING FOR THE DAY WIREGRASS CHAPTER 99**, located in New Brockton, Ala., will be held Thursday May 27, at 6 p.m. in the New Brockton Senior Center. Those attending are asked to bring a dish. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707 or Mike Doran at 334-406-6700.

**THE ELBA ELBA FARMERS MARKET** will be open each Saturday during the months of June and July next to TigerTown Park in downtown Elba. The times will be 8 - 11 a.m. each Saturday morning.



## EDITORIAL

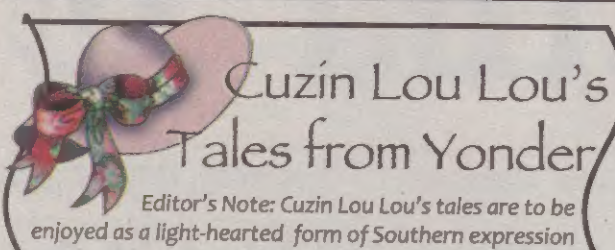
## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Resentment is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die." - Saint Augustine

Horse trainer Bob Baffert was suspended after his horse, Medina Spirit, won the Kentucky Derby but tested positive for illegal drugs. This is reportedly the 5TH failed drug test in a year for trainer Baffert. However, he claims innocence and doesn't have a clue how this happened. We wonder if the horse would have won without the boost from illegal drugs. Now - will Medina Spirit still be allowed to run in the next of the big three horse races?

THE 2021 GRADUATION PAPER FEATURING SENIORS FROM ELBA, KINSTON, ZION CHAPEL, NEW BROCKTON, AND BRANTLEY WILL BE IN NEXT WEEK'S PAPER! CALL OUR OFFICE AT 897-2823 TO PLACE AN AD CONGRATULATING YOUR FAVORITE GRAD!



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and the fam jam hit the road last weekend for a family getaway. It is something they have done for years now, ever since Mama passed away in 2003.

Originally, the getaway was necessary to help Lou Lou, Sister, and Papa avoid their heartbreak of no longer having Mama with them anymore on Mother's Day, but over the years, it simply became a tradition for them. Of course, it still helps as Mama is heavy on their hearts every Mother's Day.

Well...this year's trip included taking the fam jam's newest member along for the adventure. Little Bean got to experience her first full weekend away from home, and that proved to be quite a test on night one.

Lou Lou long ago realized that when bedtime hits each evening, there are two things on Little Bean's doggie mind - she wants to be near Lou Lou [her mama] and she wants to be in her bed.

Last weekend's hotel was quite nice as Lou Lou had secured a bedroom suite at a highly-rated accommodation, but Little Bean let her know that it was not home! She was all out of sorts on night one, and even though Bean was sharing a king size bed with Lou Lou and Sister - her comfort people - she found it difficult to calm down and sleep.

Little Bean not sleeping equated to Lou Lou and Sister not sleeping either! Lou Lou adjusted to the

lack of sleep pretty well, but Sister is one who needs and enjoys her 'beauty sleep!' She, nor Bean, were happy by the next morning, which was going to be the fam jam's most active day for sightseeing!

Everyone made it through without any arguments; however, before sunset, Bean, Sister and Papa all got naps! Papa's nap was just him doing his daily routine thing, not due to him being kept awake the previous night by his out-of-sorts grand "fur" baby.

Fast forward to bedtime on night two, and Little Bean was so tired that she was the perfect angel! That even carried over to Sunday [Mother's Day]. By that point, Bean seemed to have caught on to the whole travel thing and she did fantastic the entire day! She even got treated to some vanilla custard at lunch!

Oh yeah... and the stroller discussed last week. Well! That was a great hit! Bean loved being rolled around as she took in the sights - the only problem was when the rolling stopped. She would let Lou Lou know quickly that she wanted to keep moving!

All in all, Lou Lou thinks Bean's first weekend getaway went pretty good... well...that is after getting past night one! It is pretty safe to say 'everyone' got a great night's sleep upon returning to Yonder at the conclusion of the getaway!!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, May 4, 2021, and Monday, May 10, 2021, conducted the following activity:

**Tuesday, May 4** - Prowler reported on Sollie Dr (1:39 a.m.); Animal complaint at 1311 Reese Ave - animal impound (11:40 a.m.); Tree down on Claxton Ave N (8:03 a.m.); Animal complaint on Reese Ave (8:55 a.m.); Woods/Grass fire reported at 1570 Reese Ave (9:50 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 632 Claxton Ave N (11:51 p.m.). There were five traffic stops on this date resulting in four citations, and one assist to another agency.

**Wednesday, May 5** - Tree down at 3020 Hickman Ave (9:46 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 - driver issued a citation (1:18 p.m.); Unauthorized use of motor vehicle reported to Elba Police (2:41 p.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 84 (5:06 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 615 Jackson Ave (6:56 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (9:13 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 87 and County Rd 349 (9:22 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 804 Simmons St (11:32 p.m.). There were three traffic stops on this date resulting in one citation issued, one written warning, and one verbal warning.

**Thursday, May 6** - Animal complaint at 5758 Hwy 125 (8:44 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Martin Luther King Dr (9:10 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 990 Hwy 203 (9:53 a.m.); Burglary reported at 388 County Rd 263 (10:40 a.m.); Animal complaint at 19814 Hwy 87 (11:21 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 304 Simmons St (2:38 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 990 Hwy 203 (5:59 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 997 Sunset Blvd (9:07 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 715 Troy Hwy (10:58 p.m.); Assault reported at 1110 Caroline St (11:10 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 14862 Hwy 84 - an arrest was made (11:35 p.m.).

**Friday, May 7** - Suspicious circumstances reported at 315 Sawyer St (1:38 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on the Troy Hwy (4:04 a.m.); Animal

complaint at 691 Williams Ave S (12:23 p.m.); Animal complaint at 990 Hwy 203 (2:06 p.m.); Gas drive off reported at 632 Claxton Ave N (4:44 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 866 Cedar Lane Dr (5:38 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Kendrick St (8:58 p.m.). There were 10 traffic stops on this date resulting in three verbal warnings, six citations issued, and one written warning.

**Saturday, May 8** - Prowler reported on Sawyer St (2:43 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 529 Claxton Ave N - an arrest was made (2:54 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported on Kendrick St (7:23 a.m.); Theft of property reported (12:11 p.m.); Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle reported (1:08 p.m.); Noise complaint reported on Washington Ave (6:19 p.m.); ATV complaint reported on Reese Ave (7:37 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1847 Hwy 166 (8:18 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 230 Court Ave - assistance rendered (8:22 p.m.). There were 12 traffic stops on this date resulting in five citations issued, five written warnings, one arrest, and one advice given.

**Sunday, May 9** - Prowler reported on Claxton Ave N (2:48 a.m.); Burglary reported at 816 Rebecca Lane (4:36 a.m.). There were seven traffic stops on this date resulting in three verbal warnings, three citations issued, and one arrest.

**Monday, May 10** - Domestic complaint reported at 1023 Guyton St (1:17 a.m.); Harassment reported at 200 Buford St (8:13 a.m.); Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card (9:25 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 13977 Hwy 87 - animal impound (11:42 a.m.); Animal complaint at 120 Old Samson Rd - animal impound (2:16 p.m.); Animal complaint at 1052 Sunset Blvd - animal impound (4:06 p.m.); Animal complaint at 205 Adkinson Ave (4:31 p.m.); Road block reported at 412 Claxton Ave (5:55 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 221 Davis St E (7:11 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Clark Ave (7:16 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (11:22 p.m.). There was one traffic stop on this date resulting in a verbal warning.

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# Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>

## GEORGE WALLACE MILLETTE

Mr. George Wallace Millette, age 58, of Jack Ala., died Wednesday, May 5, 2021.



George was a graduate of Zion Chapel High School and had been employed with Sikorsky's of Troy, Ala. for the last 36 years and enjoyed the opportunity to travel to Australia, Hawaii and Germany on company projects.

George had been an active member of Hebron Baptist Church since 1975 and served on several committees, teaching Sunday School, Youth Groups, Assisting with Vacation Bible School, etc.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 8, 2021, at Hebron Baptist Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

George was preceded in death by his father, Phillip Millette; and mother, Mar-nell Spears; his brother, Jimmy Smart; and his sister, Norma Beavers.

Survivors include his loving wife of 38 years: Jody Millette; his daughter: Madison (David) Reynolds; his aunt/mother that raised him: Magalene Hall, Wilkinstown, Ala.; two brothers: Larry (Kimlen) McWaters, South Carolina, and Don McWaters, Newbia Community; three sisters: Debbie Reeves, and Velida (Bob) Davis, both of Montgomery, Ala.; Kathy (Craig) Tutor, Hartford, Ala. George was very fortunate to have the opportunity to mentor several children, including: Mason Bedsole, Jason (Maggie) Hartley, Barbara Baer, and Alegria Ramos; and many nieces, nephews and friends that adored him.

## JOHN GRADY SASSER

Mr. John Grady Sasser, age 90, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, May 6, 2021, at his home. Private graveside services were held Friday, May 7, 2021, at New Haven Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

John worked many years at the Big Bear grocery store in Elba as produce manager, and after it closed, continued to work at the IGA in Opp. He will be remembered as loving husband, father, and grandfather by those which knew him best.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bessie and Ed Edgar Sasser, along with a sister, Shirley Kelley.

Survivors include his wife: Pat Sasser, Elba; sons: Lamar (Roxana) Sasser, and Dennis Paul (Tonya) Sasser, both of Elba; sister: Christine Nelson, Opp, Ala.; brother: Charles Sasser, Elba; six grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

## LINDA SMITH JOHNS

Mrs. Linda Smith Johns, age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, May 7, 2021 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, private family services will be held with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Johns was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Johns; daughter, Stephanie Kay Johns; brother, Jack Smith; and sister, Paula McCollough.

Survivors include daughter: Sophia J. (Steve) Kelley, New Brockton, Ala.; son:

Tony (Brenda) Johns, Jack, Ala.; sisters: Angelyn (Max) Holly, and Shelia (Ronnie) Danford, all of Enterprise, Ala.; grandsons: Devin (Chassity) Kelley, and Daniel Kelley, all of New Brockton, and Austin Johns, Jack; granddaughter: Savannah Kay Johns, Jack; great-grandchildren: Andrew, Hudson, Erin and Graham Kelley, New Brockton; sisters-in-law: Myrna (Wendell) Cotton, Elba, Stacy Smith, Brownwood, Texas; brothers-in-law: Murray (Teresa) Johns, Maitland, Fla., and Mickey McCollough, Elba.

## CHRISTINE SWEET-SCOTT

Ms. Christine Sweet-Scott, age 67, of Daleville, Ala., died April 30, 2021.

Graveside service were held May 8, 2021 at Pleasant Rest Cemetery, Enterprise, Ala., with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Ms. Sweet-Scott was born July 26, 1953 to the late Willie and Bessie Sweet. She attended Friendship Baptist Church in Enterprise. She was married to Cecil Jerome Scott, whom she spent the last 41 years with.

She is preceded in death

by her mother, father, three sisters: Ethel Sweet, Lola Sweet, and Lena Sweet Buckner, and four aunts.

She was blessed with five children: Shemeka, Jaron and Laura, all of Enterprise, Trina Flowers, Ga., and Lisa, Enterprise; one brother: James Sweet; ten grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; two brothers-in-law: Jimmy (Mary) and Ronnie Scott, two sisters-in-law: Beth Scott and Teresa Scott/Robinson; and a host of other relatives and friends.

## LUVENIA JONES

Mrs. Luvenia Jones, age 87, of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, May 2, 2021, at the Enterprise Medical Center with her family by her side.

Z o o m m e m o - r i a l services were held Friday, May 7, 2021, from the Coleman Funeral Home Chapel.

She was born on January 20, 1934, to the late Mr. Leamon Horstead and Mrs. Beaulah Horstead.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two sons, Clemmie C. Jones and Hubert Jones.

Survivors include three sons: Sammy D. (Karen) Jones, Larry Jones, and William M. (Mary) Jones; three daughters: Malinda

Jones, Teresa Crawford, and Karen Head (Charlie Head); her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great great-grandchildren.

## HELEN SMITH

Ms. Helen Smith, age 90, a resident of Opp, Ala., died peacefully Monday, May 10, 2021, at her home.

No local services will be held. Young-Nichols Funeral Home in Tipton, Indiana will be in charge of funeral services in the coming days. A completed obituary including survivors will be added soon.

## WILLIE BELL BIGHAM

Ms. Willie Bell Bigham, age 69, of Enterprise, Ala., died Thursday, April 29, 2021.

Graveside services were held May 8, 2021 at Pleasant Rest Cemetery, Enterprise, with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

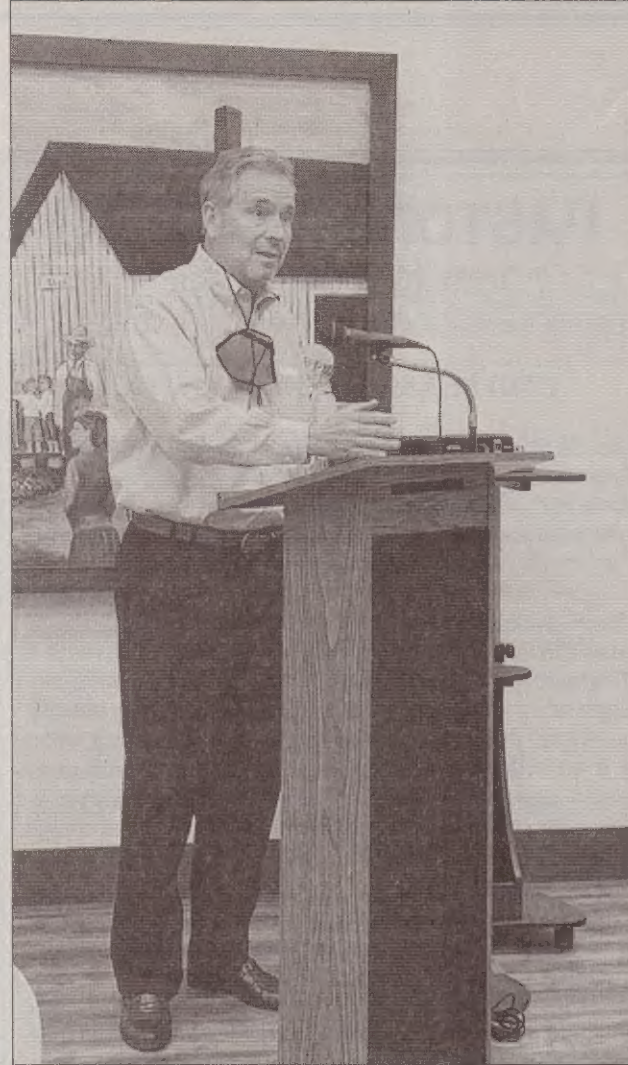
Willie Bigham was born to Mary Alice Diggs and Jewel Lee "Pete" Carlton on March 27, 1952.

She was the mother of two daughters Jessica Marie Thompson (who proceeded her in death), and Davette Bigham, of Enterprise; five grandchildren: Karianna Johnson, Quantiyanna Johnson, Akeelah Shaw, Shaquella Shaw, and Kenyetta Thompson; five sisters: Jacqueline Tillis (who proceeded her in death) Janice Carlton, and Joyce Williams (John), both of Montgomery AL, Jennifer Carlton Wetumpka, AL, and Jelicka Carlton Caldwell, Mobile AL; loving family: Jimmy Lee Carlton (who proceeded her in death) (Ray), Charles Carlton (who proceeded her in death), Clifford Carlton and Cedric Carlton, both of Enterprise, and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews friends and family.

## TOMMY DEWBERRY

Mr. Tommy Dewberry, age 71, a resident of Elba, Ala., died peacefully Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at his home.

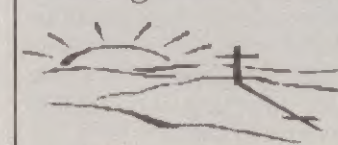
Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home.



**POWERSOUTH CEO ADDRESSES ELBA CITY COUNCIL...**Longtime PowerSouth CEO Gary Smith attended the Elba City Council meeting held Monday evening, May 10, and he updated the council and Elba Water and Electric Board members on the happenings and workings of the utilities provider. Elba Water and Electric is a member system of PowerSouth and it purchases electricity for the city's system from PowerSouth. While addressing the council, Smith discussed several business ventures PowerSouth has in the workings that equate to billions of dollars of activity. He said it is a complex operation, but one that strives to provide the best to its customers.

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Depending upon the family's wishes, the flag that drapes a Veteran's casket might be ceremonially raised and lowered on a flagpole before it is draped over their casket or urn and then folded for a final presentation to next of kin. The official US flag is made from 100% American-grown cotton and is not meant to be permanently displayed outside. The ceremonial folding and presentation is intended to make the flag a permanent indoor memorial to the fallen Veteran.

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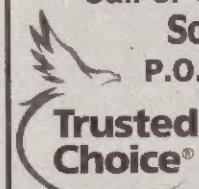
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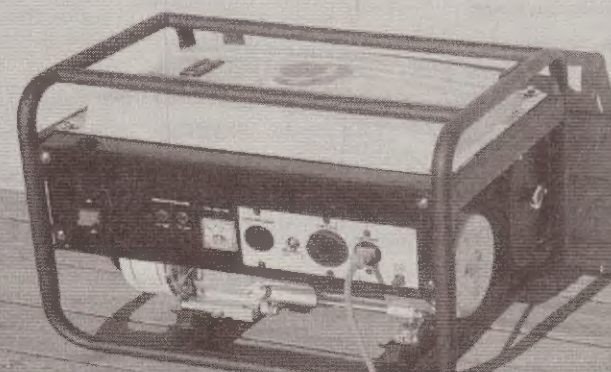
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## PASTOR'S CORNER

by W.K. Ellison, Pastor

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### GOD SEES US DIFFERENTLY

*Sam. 16:7, "But the Lord said unto Samuel, look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him; for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart."*

There are many things in life that are viewed as things of value. I'm sure all of us possess things that we treat with a different respect. The reason is, that to us as the owner, the weight of its value is great. If it's in the clothing or jewelry line, we only wear it on special occasions. We wear it when we want to look good, feel good and even sometimes to impress others. We are very peculiar, not only with how we handle it, but also how others handle it. Some things are just off limits to others. It may be displayed but you're not allowed to touch.

Value is determined by the assessment of the owner or the investor. Observers may not see or understand why something is treasured but, the owner or the investor knows the intrinsic qualities concerning its nature. They know and understand its worth as it relates to how it came about. They know what was going on in their life at the time it came into their life. They remember the many days it brought sunshine on a cloudy day. And when its cold outside, it brought the month of May. Well I guess you say what can make me feel this way, is the things that I possess that has value, A SPECIAL TREASURE.

When God made man, He made him in his image and his likeness. He invested himself in man. I like to say it this way, He invested in us, his intrinsic value, that only he, as the investor can determine its worth and its value. Man's appraisal of God's investment in us often falls short of the true value and worth because Ps. 139:6 says, "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it." We all have misjudged people based upon our opinions of them, not knowing, understanding or even recognizing God's worth and value in them.

I wonder how people with addictions would be normal if only they could have been seen for what God invested in them. I wonder how many people in prison would be free if they knew God's investment in them. I wonder how many church folks would embrace people that don't look like them, act like them and live like them, if the church could embrace God's worth invested in them.

I quote my Aunt Rose, "It's some good in the worst of us and some bad in the best of us." Its more to people than what the outward appearance presents. I Sam. 16:7, "But the Lord said unto Samuel, look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him; for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart." God sees us differently!

Let's make it practice not to judge people by outward appearance. If we use the eyes of God, everybody would look different. Everybody has value and worth; sometimes it takes the right look to find it.

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GREATER NEW ZION MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
720 EAST DAVIS STREET  
ELBA, ALABAMA 36523

MAY 16, 2021  
IMMEDIATELY  
FOLLOWING SERVICE

Please join the Greater New  
Zion Church family as we feed  
families during our Food Drive  
Give-away. Attendance during  
service is not mandatory,  
however, we would love for  
you to worship with us!



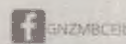
Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship: 11:00 am  
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 6:00 pm

You're Invited any Sunday!

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If you're not used to food  
requests for your home,  
please pass this card to  
someone who does!

Also, please stop in and register with a member  
of our Greeters Ministry for your Complimentary  
Gift bag and Visitor's packet.



## Westside Baptist Church VBS planned for week of June 7-11

Westside Baptist Church in Elba will host "Big Fish Bay" Vacation Bible School, June 7th-11th from 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. each day.

VBS is open to all children ages 3 through just completed sixth grade.

There will be a family lunch to celebrate the conclusion of VBS on Friday, June 11th.

For more information and to pre-register, check out the post on the church Facebook page [Westside Baptist Church].

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## Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Trust in the  
Salvation of the Lord.  
Psalm 13: 1-6

### Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Ilaya O. Kelley, Georgia  
Nelson, Mamie Belcher,  
Vincent Smith, Rita  
Gray, Kimberly Rideaux,  
Government Officials,  
Dea. J.L. Williams,  
A'Miya Alexis Hutchinson

### May Birthdays / Anniversaries

Kendra Yvonne Culver  
5/2  
Annie Jean Caldwell 5/2  
William Lester Thigpen  
5/2 (in memory)  
Ann (Lollie) Hamm 5/3  
Jauan Starks 5/7  
Lizzie Pearl Wright 5/7  
Kristopher Whitehurst 5/7  
Tiffney R. Kelley 5/9  
Milt Belcher 5/10  
Steven Knight 5/13  
Landy Magwood 5/15  
James and Leslie Starks  
5/15 W.A.  
Beverly Griggs Still 5/15

### Mutiny!

In 1610, British navigator Henry Hudson and the crew of his ship Discovery ventured to modern-day Canada in search of a northwest passage from Europe to Asia. The voyagers succeeded in locating a large bay - later named Hudson Bay. Discovery became lodged in ice, forcing voyagers to spend winter ashore with very limited provisions. Many of the starving crew convinced themselves that Hudson was hoarding food. By the time the ice had finally cleared, the men

refused to continue searching for the passage. Instead, they revolted, commandeered the ship, and abandoned Hudson, his son, and seven others. A later expedition looking for Hudson found a small shelter that they may have built. Their bodies were never recovered. Some mutinies are justifiable, and that against Henry Hudson may have been one such. But mutinies in Christian contexts are especially fraught with danger, lest we discover too late that we are opposing God himself.

### Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of  
5/13/2021

Q: "But let \_\_\_\_\_  
run down as water, and  
\_\_\_\_\_ as a mighty  
stream.

A: Justice; Righteousness  
[Amos 5:24]

Q: The earth will be filled  
with the knowledge of the  
Lord's \_\_\_\_\_

A: Glory [Habakkuk 2:14]

Thought to Remember  
God gives us the resources  
to overcome temptation.  
Use them!

### Questions for the Week of 5/20/2021

#### True or False

Q: The day of the Lord is  
light, not darkness.

Q: One should build a  
town with blood and guts.

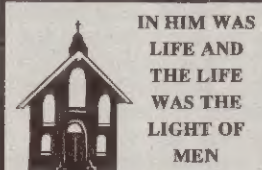
Q: The priest had failed to  
keep the covenant of Levi.

Today is a good day! Be  
grateful!

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Elba Farmers Market  
Saturdays in June & July  
downtown next to  
Tiger Town Park  
8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

## Church Directory



IN HIM WAS  
LIFE AND  
THE LIFE  
WAS THE  
LIGHT OF  
MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Rockey Pearce, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE  
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.  
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Harry Driggers, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sam Self, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH  
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Greg Cotter, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Night... 5:30 p.m.  
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Robert Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Remondia Smith, Pastor  
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE  
CHURCH  
Larry Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY  
CHURCH  
Diana White, Pastor  
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal  
and Children's Activities)...  
6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Steve Watson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship Training: 5:00  
p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

EAON BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Mark Ward, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Phillip Box, Minister  
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD  
CHURCH  
David Noble, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD  
OF PROPHECY  
H.L. Buckner, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.  
Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE  
TABERNACLE  
Allen Richards, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Dwight Johnson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Kit Johnson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Steve Reneau, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Lovell Martin, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE  
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST  
Timothy Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet: 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Phillip Adcock, Pastor  
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD -  
KINSTON  
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Scott Donaldson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS  
CHURCH  
Edward E. Drake, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE  
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH  
Overseers - Billy Berry  
Sun. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP  
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC  
W. K. Ellison, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD  
Shirley Ellis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH  
Mark Cooper, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC  
Glenwood, AL  
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Garry Winstead, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH  
Phillip Adcock, Pastor  
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Matthew Morris, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT  
CHURCH  
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH  
Derrick Stinson, Pastor  
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service: 6:00 p.m.  
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF  
CHRIST  
Greg Hanchey, Minister  
Sun. School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH  
Charles Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
J. R. Parks, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Dewey Enfinger, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Olan Strickland, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit  
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.  
Linda Williams, Pastor  
Sunday... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Even... 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM  
CHURCH OF GOD IN  
CHRIST - ENTERPRISE  
W. K. Ellison, Pastor  
Morning Worship... 9:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m.  
Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Terry Godwin, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study... 5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

PRATSE & GLORY  
WORSHIP CENTER  
Roy L. Turner, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B.  
CHURCH  
A. R. Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Randall Pearson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME  
James Booth, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.  
Fri. Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS  
CHURCH, Elba  
Max Reed, Minister  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Class: 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
C.P. Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service: 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS  
CHURCH  
Donald Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service: 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Shayne Allen, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.  
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE  
Ruby Lawson, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Ken Wilson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Tommy Green, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD  
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Donnie Marler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL  
ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
CHURCH  
Mike Medley, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Cary Maulden, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

To Update Your Church Listing, please call us at (334) 897-2823!



## LIFESTYLES

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echoed Blair's remarks for prayers for first responders.

"We had a bad, bad accident last Friday afternoon in the county with eight people injured in a double car accident — one person did not make it," Sutton said.

He said Coffee County

has a unique group of first responders that always work well together.

"Keep these folks in your prayers," Sutton said. "They are solid as a rock, and you are not going to find any better than the first responders we have here in Coffee County."

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ferential between the general and advanced diploma is a student takes a foreign language for the advanced diploma. For the honors advanced diploma, he said the student takes a foreign language and completes an honors curriculum along with 30 hours of community service.

Superintendent Killingsworth noted his support for the revision for students to choose their diploma option in 8th grade rather than 10th grade because of all the career tech and dual enrollment opportunities out there.

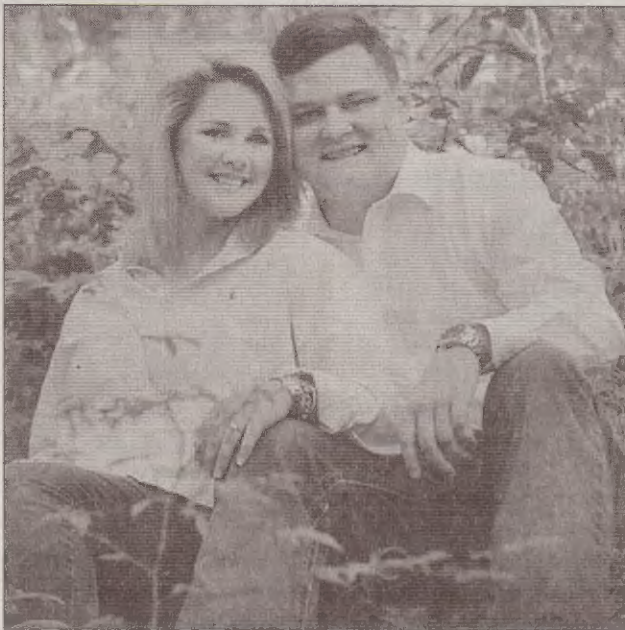
"With Elba City Schools, we have six career tech programs available to our students now, and we are hoping to add another,"

Killingsworth said. "Our students go to the Elba school campus for these programs. Implementing this change gets our students started sooner on their career choices."

The board approved the revisions to be implemented for the 2021-2022 school year.

Upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board also voted to hire two student workers for each school campus for the summer. The students will do work around the campuses preparing for the new school year, and they will work 30 hours per week, according to Killingsworth.

The next Coffee County Board of Education regular meeting is set for Thursday, June 3, at 5:30 p.m.



Miss Mary Brunson and Mr. Jabe Thompson

## Miss Brunson and Mr. Thompson plan to exchange vows on June 5th in Elba

Matt and Stephanie Brunson of Elba, Alabama are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth Brunson, to Charles Jabe Thompson, son of Steven and Billie Thompson of Opp, Alabama.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Nancy Brunson and the late Marion Brunson of Elba,

Alabama, and Nelsa Hall and the late Bobby Hall of Ozark, Alabama, and Ron and Kathryn Leatherwood, also of Ozark, Alabama.

Mary is a graduate of Troy University and is employed with Dorsey Trailers.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Charles and Lou Ellen Thompson and the late Billy Marsh and the late Betty Berrious.

Jabe is a graduate of Opp High School and is employed as a sergeant with the Opp Police Department.

The wedding will take place Saturday, June 5, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., at Elba United Methodist Church with a reception following at the home of the bride. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Following their honeymoon, the couple plans to make their home in Elba.

ATTEND  
THE CHURCH  
OF YOUR  
CHOICE THIS  
SUNDAY!!

## Celebrating 100 Years!

Please join us in a 100th Birthday Celebration honoring Loyce Morgan Henagan on Saturday, May 22, 2021, from 2-4 p.m. at Weed Baptist Church, County Road 43 [Old Three Notch Road], Brantley, Ala.

No gifts, please.

## RWCC to meet Wednesday, May 19

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, May 19, at 11 a.m., at the Enterprise Country Club.

The program will be a forum on the pros and cons of gambling in Alabama. Social time begins at

11; an optional \$12 lunch begins at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately 12 noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are required. Contact Jan to RSVP at 334-494-3763 or [rwccreservations@gmail.com](mailto:rwccreservations@gmail.com).

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## IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

## IN RE: THE ESTATE OF LOUISE MARLER DECEASED.

CASE NO. PC 2021-032

## ORDER SETTING HEARING FOR PROBATE OF WILL

This day came Rita Tanner and filed her petition in writing and under oath, praying for an order of this Court, to admit to probate an instrument purporting to be the Will of Louise Marler, deceased.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the 15th day of June, 2021, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. is appointed a day for hearing on said Petition at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division, Alabama; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the filing of said application and of the day and time of hearing shall be served upon the next of kin and heirs at law.

DONE THIS THE 29th day of April 2021.  
Jodee R. Thompson  
PROBATE JUDGE  
5/6,13,20-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA  
ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF  
EDNA SUE STINSON  
Deceased

CASE NO: PC 2021-019

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 22nd day of April, 2021 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Witness my hand this the 22nd day of April 2021.

/s/ Matt Brunson  
Attorney for the Petitioner  
5-6,13,20-pd

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MCKEE PROJECT NO: 21-164

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ing of projects, construction cost, Owners address and telephone numbers.

The sealed proposal as described above shall be received by Mr. Kevin D. Killingsworth, Superintendent at the Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Ph: 334-897-5016, until 2:00 PM, Tuesday, May 25, 2021, then opened and read aloud. All General Contractors bidding this project shall be required to visit the site and examine all existing conditions prior to submitting their proposal. All Bidders shall have general liability and workman's compensation insurance.

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All bidders shall show such evidence by clearly displaying current license number on the outside of sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. PDF's of the project can be requested by going to our website [www.mckeeassoc.com](http://www.mckeeassoc.com) and selecting "Project Bid List" then continue to Projects Menu, select the project by name. Select "Click here to Request Drawings and Bid Information" Fill out the form to the right to request bid documents. Once the request form has been received, instruction will be provided so that the documents may be viewed online and printed by General Contractors, SubContractors and Suppliers. Documents published thru this procedure are the only documents endorsed by the Architect. The Architect is unable to monitor, confirm and maintain other websites that provide documents. Addendums will be provided to entities that have CONFIRMED bidding for this particular project. The Architect retains ownership and copyrights of the documents. If bidders require printed sets, the following

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Completion Time: Project shall be completed within 120 calendar days.

Supervision: Contractor to provide Superintendent(s) to ensure proper supervision for all work.

Owner: Mr. Kevin D. Killingsworth, Superintendent, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Phone: 334-897-5016  
Architect: McKee and Associates Architects, Inc., 631 South Hull Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, Phone: 334.834.9933  
5/6,13 & 20-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA  
ELBA, Division  
In the Matter of:  
The Petition for Adoption

by: Fredrick Charles McCarty

Case No. PC-2021-027

## NOTICE

To UNKNOWN FATHER and/or HENOC ZEREGABER

You are hereby given notice that a "Petition for Adoption" has been filed by Fredrick Charles McCarty to adopt the following minor child: B.M.S. born on APRIL 22, 2003. You are hereby given notice that you are required to file an Answer with the Clerk of Probate Court and with the Petitioner's attorney: Hon. Joe Sawyer at 203 South Edwards Street, Enterprise, Alabama 36330, within fourteen (14) days for the date of the last publication of this notice. An adoption hearing has been set for the 24th day of June, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the Probate Court of the Coffee County at the Coffee County Courthouse located in Elba, Alabama. You may appear and contest the same if you choose.

DONE this 6th day of May, 2021.

/s/ Hon. Jodee R. Thompson  
HON JODEE R. THOMPSON  
PROBATE JUDGE  
Coffee County, Alabama  
5-13,20,27 & 6-3/chg

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## Views From

## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

*Our grandson Lawson continued to work in the yard last week, and asked if instead of money he could get a new game for his Nintendo Switch. I reminded him that the cost of the game was more than the budget for yardwork, but agreed to order the game if he agreed to keep working. I guess time will tell who got the best end of the deal, but I have a pretty good idea that we will both come out okay.*

## For what it is worth....

\*\*\* *The Elba Lady Tigers* saw their softball season end earlier than expected last week when they were eliminated from the area tournament in two games. The Lady Tigers forced Arton into extra innings in game one before falling to a walk off home run and appeared ready to make a run for a region tourney berth, but instead lost to Zion Chapel, a team it had defeated twice during the regular season, and saw the season come to an abrupt end. Elba had some quality seniors it will miss in Makinna Gray, Mikenzy Hooks, Jaylyn Baker and Breanna Sanders, and it was a shame their careers at Elba High had to end on such a sour note. Thanks, girls, it was a fun ride while it lasted!

\*\*\* *The area tournaments* went pretty much as expected last week with Brantley, Kinston and New Brockton all advancing to the South Region. The Lady Bulldogs from up in Brantley made it look easy as they won their three games by a combined score of 50-1 and had seven players hit home runs, while the Lady Bulldogs from Coffee County showed their pride and dedication to the program and advanced despite being without the services of their top player, and the Lady Gamecocks made it clear they were a team to keep an eye on with two lopsided wins over a team it had split with during the regular season. It was an interesting regular season and will no doubt be an interesting week down at the beach as the teams fight for a spot in the state finals.

\*\*\* *The much anticipated showdown* between the Kinston Bulldogs and Brantley Bulldogs turned into a two game sweep for the Bulldogs from up in Crenshaw County, as the men in green proved once again that the 'Big Dogs' are still from Brantley. Brantley pitchers were dominating as they tossed shutouts in both game, and while the bats didn't exactly boom in game one, they came to life in the nightcap and lit up the scoreboard. Kinston and its fans were disappointed in the losses, but have to be proud of this year's team and what it accomplished. The Bulldogs from down near the county line will return the main cogs in the machine that made it to the third round of the playoffs this season, and put the town on the map.

\*\*\* *Alabama had ten players selected* in the recent NFL draft and the total value of the contracts for the Crimson Tide stars was a staggering \$135,671,054. That's right, the ten players will combine to get over \$135 million in their guaranteed four-year contracts, and you have to know that hundreds of high school players across the nation also saw the figure and will have to wonder what will happen if they head up to Tuscaloosa. When someone says the rich only get richer, they also talk about Alabama players as they head to the next level.

\*\*\* *In closing...* it was a year to forget for the Elba High athletic program as the only varsity team to post a winning record was the football team, which posted a 6-4 record, but missed the playoffs and posted a fifth place finish in an eight-team region. The boys' basketball season was a disaster, the girls' basketball team also struggled to a losing record, the baseball and softball teams both failed to post a winning record, and the volleyball team failed to even win a single match. Maybe the Tiger golf team will bring home a state title this week to help lessen the pain of what was a long and disappointing sports year.

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## SPORTS NEWS



Elba Lady Tiger Jala Gray rounds second and heads for third. Gray had 6 hits, scored 5 runs and knocked in 4 runs last week at the area tournament.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)



Elba Lady Tiger Makinna Gray keeps her eyes on the ball as she settles under a foul ball near the fence in recent high school softball action.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

## At area tournament

## Elba Lady Tigers see season come to an end

Statistics by GameChanger

The Elba Lady Tigers saw their season come to an unexpected end last week at the Class 2A, Area 3 softball tournament as they lost their opening two games in the four-team event.

Following are highlights of both tournament games: **Arton 9 Elba 8**

The Lady Tigers rallied late to send the game into extra innings, but then watched as Arton claimed the exciting 9-8 win with a walk off home-run in the bottom of the eighth inning.

Elba's Makinna Gray led off the game with a single and came around to score to put the Lady Tigers on top 1-0 in the top of the first inning, while Arton combined four walks with an Elba error in the second to take a 2-1 advantage.

The Lady Cats lead grew to 3-1 in the third inning thanks to two walks and a key base hit, but the Lady Tigers bounced right back and plated four runs in the fifth to grab a 5-3 lead. Danaejah Flowers and Makinna Gray opened the inning with base hits, and when Jaylyn Baker walked Elba had the bases loaded with two outs. Jala Gray delivered a two-run double to pull the Lady Tigers even, and Mikenzy Hooks followed with a two-run single as Elba regained the lead at 5-3.

Arton combined two singles, two doubles and a costly Elba error to plate five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and carried an 8-5 lead into the seventh. However, the Lady Tigers again rallied and scored three runs to pull even at 8-8.

A one out walk to Jaylyn Baker sparked the late Elba rally, while consecutive singles by Jala Gray, Mikenzy Hooks and Ayrika Caldwell helped the Lady Tigers push across three runs to send the game into extra innings.

The Lady Tigers failed to score in the top of the eighth, but Arton's Mattie-grace Heath led off the

bottom of the inning with a solo home-run to give the Lady Cats the exciting 9-8 win.

Jala Gray had 4 hits, scored 2 runs and knocked in 2 runs to lead the Lady Tigers, while Mikenzy Hooks added 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; Makinna Gray added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; and, Jaylyn Baker drew three walks and scored 2 runs. Ayrika Caldwell took the loss inside the circle as she pitched seven innings and allowed three earned runs on seven hits and 11 walks, with 10 strikeouts.

### Zion Chapel 9 Elba 6

The Lady Tigers fell behind 7-0 early and never recovered in a 9-6 loss to the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels, in an elimination contest.

Both teams left two runners on base in the first inning, but the Lady Rebels cashed in their scoring opportunity in the second inning as they combined three Elba errors with two walks and a two-run double by Shea-leigh Wambles to plate five runs and grab a 5-0 lead.

Zion Chapel combined a walk, a hit batter and a two-run single by Wambles to add two third inning runs to push its lead to 7-0. However, the Lady Tigers showed signs of life in the bottom of the frame and sparked by a leadoff double by Makinna Gray, an rbi single by Aimee Senn, and a solo homer by Ayrika Caldwell scored two runs to pull within 7-2.

Elba left the bases loaded in the fourth after singles by Danaejah Flowers, Makinna Gray and Aimee Senn, and then watched as the Lady Rebels upped their lead to 8-2 in the top of the fifth thanks to three walks and an error.

The Lady Tigers plated a single run in the bottom of the fifth to pull within 8-3 when A'Lyric Whitfield walked and came around to score on an rbi double by Mikenzy Hooks. However, the Lady Tigers failed to score in their half of the sixth and trailed 9-3

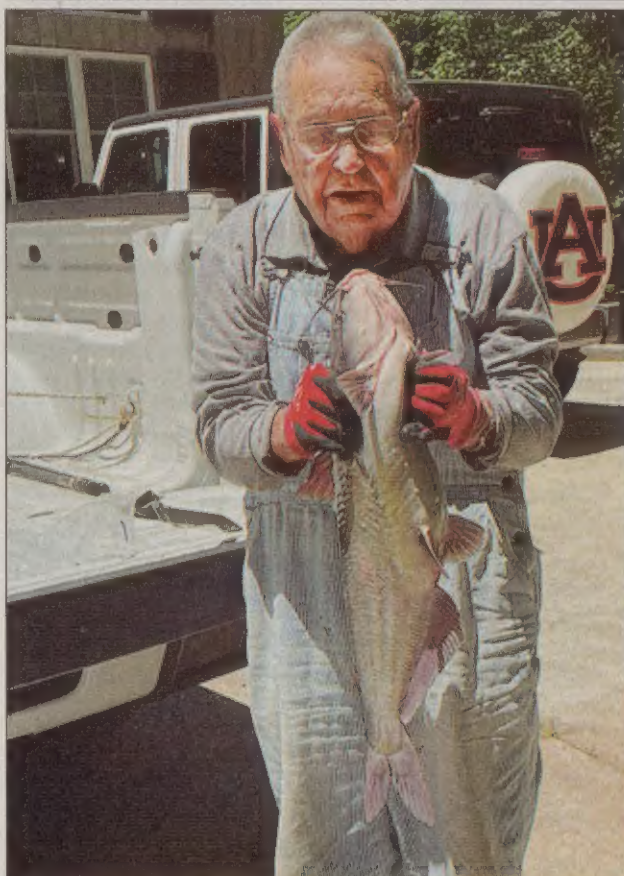
heading into the bottom of the seventh after Shea-leigh Wambles singled and later scored on an rbi single by Elly Sheets.

A leadoff single by Aimee Senn and a one-out walk to Jaylyn Baker helped Elba put runners on second and third with one out, and when Jala Gray delivered a two-run double and scored on a wild pitch the Lady Tigers were within 9-6. Mikenzy Hooks and Anna Caldwell both came through with clutch two-out singles to keep the late rally alive. However, both runners were left stranded as the Lady Tigers lost 9-6 to end the season.

Aimee Senn had 4 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Elba, while

Mikenzy Hooks added 3 hits and 1 rbi; Jala Gray added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Makinna Gray added 2 hits and scored 1 run; and, Andrya Chism added 2 hits. Two Elba pitchers combined to toss seven innings and allowed three earned runs on six hits and nine walks, with nine strikeouts.

Shea-leigh Wambles had 4 hits, scored 2 runs and knocked in 4 runs to lead the Lady Rebels, while Elly Sheets added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and Riley Bannin and Addie Killingsworth both scored 2 runs. Aryn Nelson was the winning pitcher as she tossed seven innings and allowed six earned runs on 15 hits, while striking out ten.



Former Elba Mayor Fred Moore is pictured with a 12-pound catfish he caught while he and a friend were fishing last week in a small creek that feeds into the Tallapoosa River. Fred said they were fishing with live minnows for crappie and fought the catfish for a little bit, but ultimately landed it. He said they also had another good day of crappie fishing, which has been very good this year. Fred now makes his home in Tallassee, Alabama.



Carl Kilcrease caught these 26 pounds of catfish last week while fishing at the Coffee County Lake. The biggest two fish weighed in at 10 and 7 pounds.

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## SPORTS NEWS

## Elba Tigers to close spring football drills with four team jamboree Friday in Luverne

The Elba Tigers will give their fans a sneak peek at what to expect next season on the football field on Friday night when they travel to Luverne to compete in a spring jamboree along with Luverne, Jackson and Greenville. Game starts at 6 p.m.

Elba will join with Greenville on the visitor's sideline and swap quarters on offense and defense in a full four quarter game against host Luverne and Jackson.

"The format for the game is a little different," admitted Elba Tigers head coach Marc Sieving, "but it will be fun to get on the field after nine days of work on the practice field, and all the players are excited and looking forward to the game."

"Spring training has gone really well and we are all excited about what we have been able to get done," added Coach Sieving. "In the spring it is important to answer personnel questions and try to get all the pieces in place, and see who can do what. It was good to have spring training and unlike last season we were able to take our time and get a lot of work done. The players are familiar with what we do on both sides of the ball, and that certainly helps."

"Last year I wasn't able to walk the halls and sell our program to the students due to school closing," said Sieving, "but this year all the coaches have been working to get more players involved, and it has worked as we now have around 44 players on the varsity. We haven't been at full strength in the spring due to a couple of injuries, and the success of the golf team. However, we are all proud of the players that have been so successful on the golf course, and certainly didn't want them to get hurt in practice and hurt the golf team."

"It has been a very physical and competitive spring due to the fact we have more players that want to get on the field and have worked hard to earn positions," added Sieving. "We will continue to develop in the summer, but feel like we have more depth than we did last season and have found some guys that like to hit. It was our goal to get more players out for football and to work hard to make sure all the players get a position and learn how to play that position. We are off to a good start and will continue to work in the summer to become a very good football team that all Elba Tigers fans can support."

"The game Friday night is important to all the players and coaches," stated Sieving, "but we are going to be focused on us. We will treat the game like a regular season game and put in somewhat of a plan on offense and defense, but it is more about us than who we are playing. On offense we will keep it simple and look to execute. We don't have a very complicated offense anyway, but to be successful we have to be disciplined on every play and every position, and that is what we are working toward. Over on defense we will basically do what we do and keep it simple, but we did take a peek at what the other teams did last season just so our players may recognize formations. We have worked hard on defense to be a better unit than a year ago, and believe we will be improved. Our goal on defense is always to stop the run and make our opponent predictable, and that will be the case Friday night."

"The players are excited and the veterans have been talking about game week to the younger players," said Sieving. "It is good for the new players on the team to experience what it is really like to be on the team."

In an attempt to get all the players into the game, the Tigers will play a two-quarter junior varsity game after the initial game, against Luverne. The game will have eight minute quarters, and only younger players will compete.

"The Elba fans will see a team that will go out there and try to execute a game plan on both sides of the ball and play with emotion and desire," added Coach Sieving. "We are not going to pull any tricks and try to fool anyone, but we are going to do our best to play well against solid competition and be successful on both offense and defense."

All tickets for the game must be purchased at the GoFan website, and tickets will not be sold at the gate. A link to the site may be found at the Elba Tiger Athletics Facebook page.

### VARSITY

#### Quarter One:

Jackson offense vs. Greenville defense  
Elba offense vs. Luverne defense

#### Quarter Two:

Greenville offense vs. Jackson defense  
Luverne offense vs. Elba defense

#### Quarter Three:

Jackson offense vs. Elba defense  
Greenville offense vs. Luverne defense

#### Quarter Four:

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Luverne offense vs. Greenville defense

### JUNIOR VARSITY

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## Brantley sweeps Kinston in 1A playoffs

Statistics by GameChanger

The Brantley Bulldogs made the short trip down to Kinston Thursday afternoon for a third round match-up in the Class 1A high school baseball playoffs and headed back home a few hours later after posting a pair of shutout wins 5-0 and 13-0, to advance to this week's semifinal round.

In the opening 5-0 win, Brantley pushed across three unearned runs in the top of the first inning to take charge early and added two late insurance runs to claim the win. Dalton Daniels had an rbi single in the first inning for the Bulldogs, which took advantage of two errors and three walks to jump out to a 3-0 lead. Kinston threatened in its half of the inning as Owen Patterson reached on a walk and Hunter Hughes had a single, but both runners were left on base as Brantley survived the early Kinston comeback attempt.

Both teams missed opportunities to score in the middle innings, but Brantley added two runs in the top of the seventh thanks to four walks, and posted the 5-0 win.

Dalton Daniels had 2 hits and 1 rbi to lead Brantley at the plate, while Kaleb Weed added 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Jordan Parks added 1 hit. Mark Nichols was the winning pitcher as he tossed a complete game four-hit shutout with four strikeouts.

Hunter Hughes had 2 hits to lead Kinston at the plate, while J.W. Mikel and



A Brantley Bulldog base runner slides into second base trying to break up a double play as Kinston's Hunter Hughes (14) prepares to throw to first.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Konner Walker both added 1 hit. Cale Sumblin and Owen Patterson combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on four hits, with eight walks.

In the 13-0 game two win, Brantley exploded for nine runs in the opening inning and coasted in with the lopsided win. Kinston stranded two runners on base in the top of the first inning and Tripp Hawthorne had a single, but Brantley took command in its first trip to the plate as Tucker Kilcrease banded out a

single and a double, and the Bulldogs took advantage of four walks and two hit batters to grab an early 9-0 lead.

Kinston's Owen Patterson reached on a walk and advanced to third in the third inning to give the home team a chance to get on the scoreboard. However, a leadoff single by Tyson Grant in the bottom of the inning sparked a four-run outburst, and Jack Kennedy and Dalton Daniels added big hits to help Brantley put the win on ice.

Tucker Kilcrease had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Brantley at the plate, while Jack Kennedy added 2 hits and scored 2 runs, and Jon Bush added 2 hits. Dillon Smith pitched three shutout innings and allowed two hits, while striking out eight, to get the win on the mound.

Tripp Hawthorne and Cade Jones had 1 hit, apiece, for Kinston, while three pitchers combined to toss four innings and allowed 12 earned runs on 13 hits and five walks.

## New Brockton punches ticket to South Region tournament

Statistics by GameChanger

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks competed in the Class 3A, Area 4 softball tournament Thursday afternoon in Opp, and posted two wins to punch their ticket for this week's South Region Tournament, in Gulf Shores.

The Lady Gamecocks opened play in the four-team event against Pike County and jumped out to an early 9-0 lead and coasted to an easy 13-2 win. Jordyn Thornton had 4 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Lizzy Everts added 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's; Bailey Blackmon added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Mckenlie Jerkins added 2 hits and 1 rbi; and Kierstin Sunday added 1 hit and scored 3 runs. Mckenlie Jerkins was the winning pitcher as she pitched six innings and allowed three earned runs on nine hits, with eight strikeouts.

The Lady Gamecocks ran into Opp in the second round and managed only one hit in an 11-0 loss. Megan Eldridge had the lone New Brockton base hit, while Bailey Blackmon and Mckenlie Jerkins combined to pitch four innings and allowed two earned runs on eight hits.

The Lady Gamecocks

tangled with Pike County, again, with a trip to the region tournament on the line and pulled ahead early and never looked back to post a big 13-1 win. Lizzy Everts had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 4 rbi's to lead New Brockton, while Madison Meeks added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Jordyn Thornton added 2 hits and scored 3 runs; Mckenlie Jerkins added 2 hits and 1 rbi; Megan Eldridge added 2 hits; and, Bailey Blackmon added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's. Mckenlie Jerkins was the winning pitcher as she tossed five innings and allowed one earned run on six hits, with six strikeouts.

The Lady Gamecocks battled regular season area champion Opp, again, this time in the finals, and fought for all seven innings in a 9-5 loss. The Lady Gamecocks owned a 4-3 lead in the third inning, but saw the lead vanish in the loss. Lizzy Everts had 3 hits and scored 1 run to lead New Brockton, while Jordyn Thornton added 2 hits and scored 1 run, Shelby Hobbs added 1 hit and 2 rbi's, Kennedy Hussey added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Megan Eldridge added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Three Lady Gamecocks pitchers combined to pitch six innings and allowed six earned runs on 12 hits and four walks.

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HOME RUN TROT - Seven Brantley Lady Bulldogs combined to blast eight home runs at last week's area tourney.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)

## Brantley wins area

Statistics by GameChanger

The top-ranked Brantley Lady Bulldogs hosted the Class 1A, Area 3 softball tournament last week and outscored their three victims by a combined score of 50-1 to keep the area title in Brantley.

The Lady Bulldogs opened the four-team event with an 18-0 win over Georgiana, then defeated Red Level 16-0 and 16-1 to wrap up the tournament title.

No statistics were available in the big 18-0 win over Georgiana, but in the 16-0 win over Red Level Kaylee Navaree was the star of the show as she had 2 hits, scored 2 runs, drove in 4 runs, blasted a home run and pitched a three-inning perfect game with eight strikeouts. Sheonte Barginere added 2 hits, including a home run, scored 2 runs and had 4 rbi's; Ainsley Watts added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had

1 rbi; Campbell Hawthorne added 1 hit and scored 3 runs; and, Elleigh Layton added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi.

In the 16-1 win over Red Level, the Lady Bulldogs actually trailed 1-0 early before rolling to the big win. Elleigh Layton had 3 hits, including a home run, scored 2 runs and knocked in 6 runs to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Ainsley Watts added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi; Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's; Sheonte Barginere and Kaylee Navaree both added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Kayden Dunn added 1 hit, a home run, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; and, Lauren Hudson added 1 hit, a home run, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Kaylee Navaree was the winning pitcher as she tossed four innings and allowed one earned run on one hit, with 10 strikeouts.